

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Bhushan KHALADKAR et al.

Serial No.: 10/656,097

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For: METHOD AND MECHANISM FOR
EFFICIENT ACCESS TO NODES IN XML
DATA

Group Art Unit: 2178

Examiner: Tsui, Wilson W.

Confirmation No. 9920

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R § 1.114 AND
AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed October 31, 2007, please amend this application in accordance with the following amendment sheet(s). This amendment is being filed concurrently with a request for continued examination (RCE).

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 12.